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TITLE OF INVENTION: PROCESS FOR PREPARING BIOTIN

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of
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Sir:

Prior to examination, kindly amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Claim 3, line 1, delete "or 2".

Claim 4, line 1, delete "any of claims 1 to 3" and insert --claim 1--.

Claim 5, line 1, delete "any of claims 1 to 4" and insert --claim 1--.

Claim 6, line 1, delete "any of claims 1 to 5" and insert --claim 1--.

Claim 9, line 1, delete "or 8".

Claim 10, line 1, delete "any of claims 7 to 9" and insert --claim 7--.

Claim 11, line 2, delete "any of claims 7 to 10" and insert --claim 7--.

Claim 14, lines 1 and 2, delete "any of claims 7 to 10" and insert --claim 7--.

REMARKS

The claims have been amended to eliminate multiple dependency and to put them in better form for U.S. filing. No new matter is included.

Favorable action is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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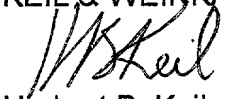

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Process for preparing biotin

The invention relates to a gene construct which contains an S-adenosylmethionine synthase gene, having the sequence SEQ ID No. 1, and a biotin biosynthesis gene bioS1, bioS2 and/or bioS3, having the sequences SEQ ID No.3, SEQ ID No.5 and SEQ ID No.7, respectively, and, where appropriate, at least one further biotin synthesis gene sequence selected from the group bioA, bioB, bioF, bioC, bioD, bioH, bioP, bioW, bioX, bioY or bioR. The invention furthermore relates to organisms which contain this gene construct and to the use of the gene construct for preparing biotin, and also to a process for preparing biotin.

As a coenzyme, biotin (Vitamin H) plays an essential role in enzyme-catalyzed carboxylation and decarboxylation reactions. Biotin is consequently an essential factor in living cells. Almost all animals and some microorganisms have to take up biotin from the exterior since they are unable to synthesize biotin themselves. Biotin is therefore an essential vitamin for these organisms. By contrast, bacteria, yeasts and plants are able themselves to synthesize biotin from precursors (Brown et al. Biotechnol. Genet. Eng. Rev. 9, 1991: 295 - 326, DeMoll, E., Escherichia coli and Salmonella, eds. Neidhardt, F. C. et al. ASM Press, Washington DC, USA, 1996: 704 - 708, ISBN 1-55581-084-5).

The synthesis of biotin has been investigated in bacterial organisms, especially in the Gram-negative bacterium Escherichia coli and in the Gram-positive bacterium Bacillus sphaericus (Brown et al. Biotechnol. Genet. Eng. Rev. 9, 1991: 295 - 326). Pimelyl-CoA (PmCoA), which is derived from fatty acid synthesis, has previously been regarded as the first known intermediate in E. coli (DeMoll, E., Escherichia coli and Salmonella, eds. Neidhardt, F. C. et al. ASM Press, Washington DC, USA, 1996: 704 - 708, ISBN 1-55581-084-5 1996). Up to now, the route by which this biotin precursor is synthesized in E. coli has to a large extent been unknown (Lemoine et al., Mol. Microbiol. 19, 1996: 645 - 647). bioC and bioH have been identified as being two genes whose corresponding proteins are responsible for the synthesis of Pm-CoA. The enzymic functions of the gene products, i.e. BioH and BioC, have hitherto been unknown (Lemoine et al., Mol. Microbiol. 19, 1996: 645 - 647, DeMoll, E., Escherichia coli and Salmonella, eds. Neidhardt, F. C. et al. ASM Press, Washington DC, USA, 1996: 704 - 708, ISBN 1-55581-084-5). Pm-CoA is converted into biotin in four further enzymic steps. BioF first of all condenses the Pm-CoA with alanine to form 7-keto-8-aminopelargonic acid (KAPA). The KAPA is then converted into 7,8-diaminopelargonic acid (DAPA)

by BioA. Following an ATP-dependent carboxylation reaction, the next step leads to dethiobiotin (DTB) and is catalyzed by BioD. The DTB is converted into biotin in the last step. This step is catalyzed by BioB. The chemical and enzymic mechanisms involved in the conversion of DTB into biotin are so far only incompletely understood and clarified.

The conversion of DTB into biotin has so far only been characterized in bacterial and plant cell extracts (WO94/8023, EP-B-0 449 724, Sanyal et al. Arch. Biochem. Biophys., Vol. 326, No. 1, 1996: 48 - 56 and Biochemistry 33, 1994: 3625 - 3631, Baldet et al. Europ. J. Biochem. 217, 1, 1993: 479 - 485, Méjean et al. Biochem. Biophys. Res. Commun., Vol. 217, No. 3, 1995: 1231 - 1237, Ohshiro et al., Biosci. Biotechnol. Biochem., 58, 9, 1994: 1738 - 1741).

In vitro studies have demonstrated that low molecular weight factors such as NADPH, cysteine, thiamine, Fe^{2+}, asparagine, serine, fructose 1-6-bisphosphate and S-adenosylmethionine are able to stimulate the synthesis of biotin (Ohshiro et al., Biosci. Biotechnol. Biochem., 58, 9, 1994: 1738 - 1741, Birch et al., J. Biol. Chem. 270, 32, 1995: 19158 - 19165, Ifuku et al., Biosci. Biotechnol. Biochem., 59, 2, 1995: 185 - 189, Sanyal et al. Arch. Biochem. Biophys. 326, 1, 1996: 48 - 56).

In addition to these low molecular weight factors, other proteins have been identified which stimulate the synthesis of biotin from DTB in the presence of BioB. These proteins are flavodoxin and flavodoxin NADPH reductase (Birch et al., J. Biol. Chem. 270, 32, 1995: 19158 - 19165, Ifuk et al., Biosci. Biotechnol. Biochem., 59, 2, 1995: 185 - 189, Sanyal et al., Arch. Biochem. Biophys. 326, 1, 1996: 48 - 56). Other proteins which stimulate biotin synthesis are the genes bioS1 and bioS2, which are described in the German application having the application number 197.31274.8 (Priority 22.7.97).

Differing results have been obtained with regard to the origin of the sulfur in the biotin molecule. Investigations into the synthesis of biotin in whole cell extracts showed that radioactivity was incorporated into biotin in the presence of ^{35}S-labeled cysteine; it was not possible to demonstrate incorporation of sulfur into the biotin molecule when either ^{35}S-labeled methionine or S-adenosylmethionine was used (Ifuku et al., Biosci. Biotechnol. Biochem. 59, 2, 1995: 184 - 189, Birch et al., J. Biol. Chem.270, 32, 1995: 19158 - 19165).

The genes which encode the described proteins, i.e. bioF, bioA, bioD, and bioB, are encoded in E. coli on a bidirectional operon. This operon is located between the λ attachment site and the uvrB gene locus at approx. 17 minutes on the E. coli chromosome (Berlyn et al. 1996: 1715 - 1902). A further two genes, one of which, i.e. bioC, already possesses described functions in the synthesis of Pm-CoA, are additionally encoded on this operon, whereas it has not so far been possible to assign any function to an open reading frame which is located downstream of bioA (WO94/8023, Otsuka et al., J. Biol. Chem. 263, 1988: 19577 - 85). Highly conserved homologues to the E. coli proteins BioF, BioA, BioD and BioB have been found in B. sphaericus, B. subtilis, Syneccocystis sp. (Brown et al. Biotechnol. Genet. Eng. Rev. 9, 1991: 295 - 326, Bower et al., J. Bacteriol. 175, 1996: 4122 - 4130, Kaneko et al., DNA Res. 3, 3, 1996: 109 - 136), archaeobacteria such as Methanococcus janaschi, and yeasts such as Saccharomyces cerevisiae (Zhang et al., Arch. Biochem. Biophys. 309, 1, 1994: 29 - 35) or in plants such as Arabidopsis thaliana (Baldet et al., C. R. Acad. Sci. III, Sci. Vie. 319, 2, 1996: 99 - 106).

In the two Gram-positive microorganisms which have so far been investigated, the synthesis of Pm-CoA appears to proceed in a different manner from that in E. coli. It was not possible to find any homologues of bioH and bioC (Brown et al. Biotechnol. Genet. Eng. Rev. 9, 1991: 295 - 326).

Biotin is an optically active substance which has three centers of chirality. It has hitherto only been prepared economically by way of an expensive, multi-step chemical synthesis.

As an alternative to this chemical synthesis, a large number of attempts have been made to construct a fermentative process for preparing biotin using microorganisms. Cloning the biotin operon onto multi-copy-plasmids has been successfully used to increase biotin synthesis in microorganisms which have been transformed with these genes. A further increase in biotin synthesis was achieved by deregulating biotin gene expression by means of selecting birA mutants (Pai C. H., J. Bacteriol. 112, 1972: 1280 - 1287). Combination of the two approaches, that is expressing the plasmid-encoded biosynthesis genes in a regulation-deficient strain (EP-B-0 236 429), increased productivity still further. In this context, the biotin operon can either remain under the control of its native bidirectional promoter (EP-B-0 236 429) or else its genes can be brought under the control of a promoter which can be regulated externally (WO94/08023).

The approaches which have so far been pursued for producing biotin fermentatively in E. coli have not achieved any economically adequate productivity.

It is an object of the present invention to develop an industrial fermentative process for producing biotin which exhibits as high a biotin synthesis as possible.

We have found that this object is achieved by the process according to the invention for producing biotin, in which process an S-adenosylmethionine synthase (SAM synthase) gene, having the sequence SEQ ID No. 1, and at least one further biotin biosynthesis gene bioS1, bioS2 or bioS3, having the sequences SEQ ID No. 3, SEQ ID No. 5 and SEQ ID No.7, and also their functional variants, analogues or derivatives, are expressed in a prokaryotic or eukaryotic host organism which is able to synthesize biotin, this organism is cultured and the synthesized biotin is used directly after separating off the biomass or after purifying the biotin.

The genes used in the process according to the invention, i.e. the SAM synthase gene having the sequence SEQ ID No. 1 and the biotin biosynthesis genes bioS1, bioS2 and bioS3 having the sequences SEQ ID No. 3, SEQ ID No. 5 and SEQ ID No.7 are kept in the SwissProt-data base under accession numbers P04384 (metK), U29581 (bioS1), P39171 (bioS2) and D90811 (bioS3). A number of homologues to E. coli MetK are described in the data base. These homologues include organisms such as other eubacteria (e.g. H. influenzae, and B. subtilis), and also eukaryotes (e.g. yeasts: S. cerevisiae, Planta: P. deltoides, Arthropoda: D. melanogaster, and Mammalia: R. norvegicus).

The productivity of the biotin biosynthesis can be increased markedly by expressing one or more of the SAM synthase gene, having the sequence SEQ ID No. 1, and its functional variants, analogues or derivatives in combination with at least one of the biotin synthesis genes bioS1, bioS2 or bioS3, having the sequences SEQ ID No. 3, SEQ ID No. 5 and SEQ ID No.7, and also their functional variants, analogues or derivatives, in a prokaryotic or eukaryotic host organism. A combination of the SAM synthase gene and bios1 is preferably used for the expression. At least one further biotin gene selected from the group bioA, bioB, bioF, bioC, bioD, bioH, bioP, bioW, bioX, bioY and bioR is advantageously expressed at the same time in order to increase the biotin synthesis still further. Expression of the genes increases the synthesis of biotin by at least a factor of 2 as compared with the control without these genes, preferably by a

factor which is greater than 3.

The genes used in the process according to the invention, i.e. the SAM synthase gene having the nucleotide sequence SEQ ID No. 1, the bioS1 gene having the nucleotide sequence SEQ ID No. 3, the bioS2 gene having the nucleotide sequence SEQ ID No. 5 and the bioS3 gene having the nucleotide sequence SEQ ID No.7, which sequences encode the amino acid sequences given in SEQ ID NO: 2, SEQ ID No. 4, SEQ ID No. 6 and SEQ ID No.8, respectively, or their allelic variations, can be obtained following isolation and sequencing. Variants are to be understood as being SEQ ID No. 1, SEQ ID No.3, SEQ ID No.5 and SEQ ID No.7 variants, respectively, which exhibit from 30 to 100% homology at the amino acid level, preferably from 50 to 100% homology, very particularly preferably from 80 to 100% homology. Allelic variants comprise, in particular, functional variants which can be obtained by the deletion, insertion or substitution of nucleotides from the sequences depicted in SEQ ID NO: 1, SEQ ID No. 3, SEQ ID No. 5 and SEQ ID No.7, with, however, the enzymic activity being retained.

In addition, variants are also to be understood as being functional equivalents of the genes, such as O-acetylserine sulfohydrolase A, O-acetylserine sulfohydrolase B, β-cystathionase (see Flint et al., J. Biol. Chem., Vol. 271, 1996: 16053 - 16067) or nifS and its prokaryotic and eukaryotic homologues, for example from Klebsiella, Candida, yeasts or Caenorhabditis, which are able to assume the enzymic activity of bioS1, bioS2 or bioS3 in the synthesis of biotin.

Functional analogues of SEQ ID NO: 1, SEQ ID NO: 3, SEQ ID NO: 5 and SEQ ID No. 7 are to be understood as being, for example, their prokaryotic or eukaryotic homologues, such as bacterial, fungal, plant, animal or human homologues. In addition, analogues are also to be understood as being truncated sequences, or single-stranded DNA or RNA from coding and non-coding DNA sequences.

Derivatives are to be understood, for example, as being promoter variants. The promoters, which are placed upstream of the given nucleotide sequences, can be altered by means of one or more nucleotide substitutions, or by means of (an) insertion(s) and/or deletion(s) without, however, the functionality or activity of the promoters being impaired. In addition, the activities of the promoters can be increased by means of altering their sequences, or the promoters can be completely replaced by more active

promoters, including those from organisms of a different species.

Derivatives are also to be understood as being variants whose nucleotide sequences have been altered in the region from -1 to -30 upstream of the start codon such that expression of the gene and/or expression of a protein is increased. This is advantageously effected by altering the Shine-Dalgarno sequence.

All Gram-negative or Gram-positive bacteria which synthesize biotin are, in principal, suitable for use as prokaryotic host organisms in the process according to the invention. Gram-negative bacteria which may be mentioned by way of example are Enterobacteriaceae such as the genera Escherichia, Aerobacter, Enterobacter, Citrobacter, Shigella, Klebsiella, Serratia, Erwinia or Salmonella, Pseudomonadaceae such as the genera Pseudomonas, Xanthomonas, Burkholderia, Gluconobacter, Nitrosomonas, Nitrobacter, Methanomonas, Comamonas, Cellulomonas or Acetobacter, Azotobacteraceae such as the genera Azotobacter, Azomonas, Beijerinckia or Derxia, Neisseriaceae such as the genera Moraxella, Acinetobacter, Kingella, Neisseria or Branhamella, the Rhizobiaceae such as the genera Rhizobium or Agrobacterium, or the Gram-negative genera Zymomonas, Chromobacterium or Flavobacterium. Gram-positive bacteria which may be mentioned by way of example are the endospore-forming Gram-positive aerobic or anaerobic bacteria such as the genera Bacillus, Sporolactobacillus or Clostridium, the coryneform bacteria such as the genera Arthrobacter, Cellulomonas, Curtobacterium, Corynebacterium, Brevibacterium, Microbacterium or Kurthia, the Actinomycetales such as the genera Mycobacterium, Rhodococcus, Streptomyces or Nocardia, the Lactobacillaceae such as the genera Lactobacillus or Lactococcus, or the Gram-positive cocci such as the genera Micrococcus or Staphylococcus.

Preference is given to using bacteria of the genera Escherichia, Citrobacter, Serratia, Klebsiella, Salmonella, Pseudomonas, Comamonas, Acinetobacter, Azotobacter, Chromobacterium, Bacillus, Clostridium, Arthrobacter, Corynebacterium, Brevibacterium, Lactococcus, Lactobacillus, Streptomyces, Rhizobium, Agrobacterium or Staphylococcus in the process according to the invention. Particular preference is given to genera and species such as Escherichia coli, Citrobacter freundii, Serratia marcescens, Salmonella typhimurium, Pseudomonas mendocina, Pseudomonas aeruginosa, Pseudomonas mutabilis, Pseudomonas chlororaphis, Pseudomonas fluorescens, Comamonas acidovorans, Comamonas testosteroni, Acinetobacter calcoaceticus, Azotobacter vinelandii, Chromobacterium violaceum, Bacillus subtilis, Bacillus sphaericus, Bacillus stearothermophilus, Bacillus

pumilus, Bacillus licheniformis, Bacillus amyloliquefaciens, Bacillus megaterium, Bacillus cereus, Bacillus thuringiensis, Arthrobacter citreus, Arthrobacter paraffineus, Corynebacterium glutamicum, Corynebacterium primorioxydans, Corynebacterium sp., Brevibacterium ketoglutamicum, Brevibacterium linens, Brevibacterium sp., Streptomyces lividans, Rhizobium leguminosarum or Agrobacterium tumefaciens. Advantageously, use is made of bacteria which already exhibit an elevated natural production of biotin.

The taxonomic position of the listed genera has been subject to considerable change in recent years and is still in a state of flux as false genera and species names are corrected. Because of these taxonomic regroupings, which have been frequently required in the past, of the said genera within bacterial systematics, families, genera and species other than those mentioned above are also suitable for the process according to the invention.

All biotin-synthesizing organisms, such as fungi, yeasts, plants or plant cells, are, in principal, suitable for use as eukaryotic host organisms in the process according to the invention. Yeasts which may preferably be mentioned are the genera Rhodotorula, Yarrowia, Sporobolomyces, Saccharomyces or Schizosaccharomyces. Particular preference is given to the genera and species Rhodotorula rubra, Rhodotorula glutinis, Rhodotorula graminis, Yarrowia lipolytica, Sporobolomyces salmonicolor, Sporobolomyces shibatanus or Saccharomyces cerevisiae.

In principal, all plants can be used as the host organism, with preference being given to plants which play a role in animal nutrition or human nutrition, such as corn, wheat, barley, rye, potatoes, peas, beans, sunflowers, palms, millet, sesame, copra or rape. Plants such as Arabidopsis thaliana or Lavendula vera are also suitable. Particular preference is given to plant cell cultures, plant protoplasts or callus cultures.

Microorganisms such as bacteria, fungi, yeasts or plant cells which are able to secrete biotin into the growth medium, and which, where appropriate, already additionally exhibit an increased natural synthesis of biotin, are advantageously used in the process according to the invention. Advantageously, these organisms can also be defective with regard to the regulation of their biotin biosynthesis; i.e. this synthesis is either not regulated or only regulated to a very reduced extent. This regulatory defect results in these organisms already possessing a substantially increased biotin productivity. Such a regulatory defect is known, for example, from Escherichia coli in the form

of birA-defect mutants and should preferably be present in the cells as a defect which can be induced by external influences, for example as a defect which is temperature-inducible. In principal, organisms which do not exhibit any natural biotin production can also be used, once they have been transformed with the biotin genes.

In order to increase biotin productivity as a whole still further, the organisms in the process according to the invention should advantageously also harbor at least one further biotin gene selected from the group bioA, bioB, bioF, bioC, bioD, bioH, bioP, bioW, bioX, bioY or bioR. Advantageously, those genes which stimulate biotin synthesis can also be present in the cell in combination with the sequences SEQ ID No. 1 , SEQ ID No. 3, SEQ ID No.5 or SEQ ID No.7 and their combinations. Examples of genes which stimulate biotin synthesis are the flavoredoxin gene and the flavoredoxin reductase gene. This additional gene, or these additional genes, can be present in the cell in one or more copies, like the genes having the sequences SEQ ID No. 1 , SEQ ID No.3, SEQ ID No.5 or SEQ ID No.7 or their combinations. They can be located on the same vector as the sequences SEQ ID No. 1, SEQ ID No.3, SEQ ID No.5 and/or SEQ ID No.7, or on separate vectors, or else integrated chromosomally. The sequences SEQ ID No. 1, SEQ ID No.3, SEQ ID No.5 and/or SEQ ID No.7 can also be together on a vector or on separate vectors or be inserted into the genome.

The gene construct according to the invention is to be understood as being the gene sequences of the SAM synthase gene SEQ ID No. 1 and of the biotin synthesis genes SEQ ID No.3, SEQ ID No.5 and/or SEQ ID No.7, and also their functional variants, analogues or derivatives, which were linked functionally to one or more regulatory signals for the purpose of increasing expression of the genes. In addition to these new regulatory sequences, the natural regulation of these sequences can still be present upstream of the actual structural genes and, where appropriate, can have been genetically altered such that the natural regulation has been switched off and expression of genes has been increased. However, the gene construct can also be assembled in a simpler manner, i.e. no additional regulatory signals are inserted upstream of the sequences SEQ ID No. 1, SEQ ID No. 3, SEQ ID No.5 and/or SEQ ID No.7 and the natural promoter, with its regulation, is not removed. Instead, the natural regulatory sequence is mutated such that regulation by biotin no longer takes place and gene expression is increased. The sequences SEQ ID No. 1, SEQ ID No.3, SEQ ID No.5 and/or SEQ ID No.7 can be under the regulation of one promoter or under the regulation of separate promoters. Additional, advantageous regulatory elements can also be inserted at the 3' end of the DNA sequences. The

genes having the sequences SEQ ID No. 1, SEQ ID No. 3, SEQ ID No.5 or SEQ ID No. 7 can be present in the gene construct in one or more copies.

Advantageous regulatory sequences for the process according to the invention are present, for example, in promoters such as the cos-, tac-, trp-, tet-, trp-tet-, lpp-, lac-, lpp-lac-, $lacI^q$-, T7-, T5-, T3-, gal-, trc-, ara-, SP6-, λ-P_R- or λ-P_L-promoters, which are advantageously used in Gram-negative bacteria. Further advantageous regulatory sequences are present, for example, in the Gram-positive promoters amy and SPO2, in the yeast promoters ADC1, MFα , AC, P-60, CYC1, GAPDH or in the plant promoters CaMV/35S, SSU, OCS, lib4, usp, STLS1, B33, or nos, or in the ubiquitin promoter or the phaseolin promoter.

In principal, all natural promoters, together with their regulatory sequences, can be used, like the abovementioned promoters, for the process according to the invention. In addition, synthetic promoters can also advantageously be used.

Other biotin genes selected from the group bioA, bioB, bioF, bioC, bioD, bioH, bioP, bioW, bioX, bioY or bioR, which genes can have their own promoter or else can be under the regulation of the promoter of one of the sequences, or under the regulation of the promoter of all the sequences, SEQ ID No. 1, SEQ ID No. 3, SEQ ID No.5 or SEQ ID No.7, can be present in the gene construct in one or more copies.

For expression in the abovementioned host organism, the gene construct is advantageously inserted into a host-specific vector which makes it possible to achieve optimum expression of the genes in the host. Vectors are well known to the skilled person and can be identified, for example, from the book Cloning Vectors (Eds. Pouwels P. H. et al. Elsevier, Amsterdam-New York-Oxford, 1985, ISBN 0 444 904018). In addition to plasmids, the vectors are also to be understood as being all other vectors known to the skilled person, such as phages, viruses, transposons, IS elements, phasmids, cosmids or linear or circular DNA. These vectors can be replicated autonomously in the host organism or replicated chromosomally.

Expression systems are to be understood as being the combination of the host organisms which are mentioned above by way of example and the vectors which are appropriate for the organisms, such as plasmids, viruses or phages, for example plasmids containing the RNA polymerase/promoter system, phages λ, or Mu or other temperate phages or transposons and/or further advantageous regulatory

sequences.

The term expression systems is preferably to be understood as being the combination of Escherichia coli and its plasmids and phages and the affiliated promoters, and also Bacillus and its plasmids and promoters.

Further 3' and/or 5'-terminal regulatory sequences are also suitable for advantageously expressing SEQ ID No.1, SEQ ID No.3, SEQ ID No.5 and/or SEQ ID No. 7 in accordance with the invention.

These regulatory sequences are intended to make it possible to achieve specific expression of the biotin genes and expression of the protein. Depending on the host organism, this can, for example, mean that the gene is only expressed or overexpressed after induction or that it is expressed and/or overexpressed immediately.

In this context, the regulatory sequences or factors can preferably influence biotin gene expression positively and thereby increase it. For example, the regulatory elements can advantageously be reinforced at the transcriptional level by means of using strong transcription signals such as promoters and/or enhancers. In addition, however, it is also possible to reinforce translation by, for example, improving the stability of the mRNA.

Enhancers are to be understood as being, for example, DNA sequences which bring about increased biotin gene expression by means of improving the interaction between the RNA polymerase and the DNA.

An increase in the proteins (see SEQ ID No.2, SEQ ID No.4, SEQ ID No.6 and SEQ ID No.8) which are derived from the sequences SEQ ID No. 1, SEQ ID No.3, SEQ ID No.5 and SEQ ID No.7, and in their enzyme activity, as compared with the starting enzymes, can be achieved, for example, by altering the corresponding gene sequences, or the sequences of their homologues, by means of classical mutagenesis, such as UV irradiation, or by treating with chemical mutagens and/or by means of specific mutagenesis such as site-directed mutagenesis, deletion(s), insertion(s) and/or substitution(s). An increased enzyme activity, apart from the described gene amplification, can also be achieved by eliminating factors which repress enzyme biosynthesis and/or by synthesizing active enzymes instead of inactive enzymes.

The process according to the invention advantageously increases the conversion of DTB into biotin, and consequently overall biotin productivity, by means of using the biotin genes having the sequences SEQ ID No. 1, SEQ ID No.3, SEQ ID No.5 and SEQ ID No.7, and the combination of the genes having the sequences SEQ ID No.1 and SEQ ID No.5 or SEQ ID No.1 and SEQ ID No.7, preferably the combination of the genes having the sequences SEQ ID No.1 and SEQ ID No.3, which genes are introduced into the organisms by way of their vectors and/or by means of chromosomal cloning.

In the process according to the invention, the microorganisms harboring SEQ ID No.1, SEQ ID No.3, SEQ ID No.5 and/or SEQ ID No.7 are propagated in a medium which enables these organisms to grow. This medium can be a synthetic medium or a natural medium. Use is made of media which are known to the skilled person and which are appropriate for the organism. In order to permit growth of the microorganisms, the media employed contain a carbon source, a nitrogen source, inorganic salts and, where appropriate, small quantities of vitamins and trace elements.

Examples of advantageous carbon sources are sugars, such as monosaccharides, disaccharides or polysaccharides, such as glucose, fructose, mannose, xylose, galactose, ribose, sorbose, ribulose, lactose, maltose, sucrose, raffinose, starch or cellulose, complex sugar sources such as molasses, sugar phosphates, such as fructose-1,6-bisphosphate, sugar alcohols, such as mannitol, polyols, such as glycerol, alcohols, such as methanol or ethanol, carboxylic acids, such as citric acid, lactic acid of acetic acid, fats, such as soy-bean oil or rape-seed oil, or amino acids, such as glutamic acid or aspartic acid, or amino sugars, which can simultaneously be used as a nitrogen source.

Advantageous nitrogen sources are organic or inorganic nitrogen compounds or materials which contain these compounds. Examples are ammonium salts, such as NH_4Cl or $(NH_4)_2SO_4$, nitrates or urea, or complex nitrogen sources such as corn steep liquor, brewer's yeast autolysate, soy-bean flour, wheat gluten, yeast extract, meat extract, casein hydrolysate or yeast or potato protein, which can frequently also be used simultaneously as a nitrogen source.

Examples of inorganic salts are the salts of calcium, magnesium, sodium, manganese, potassium, zinc, copper and iron. Anions of these salts which are to be mentioned in particular are the chloride, sulfate and phosphate ions. An important factor for

increasing productivity in the process according to the invention is the addition of Fe^{2+} or Fe^{3+} salts and/or potassium salts to the production medium.

Where appropriate, further growth factors, such as vitamins or growth promoters, such as riboflavin, thiamine, folic acid, nicotinic acid, pantothenate or pyridoxine, amino acids, such as alanine, cysteine, asparagine, aspartic acid, glutamine, serine, methionine or lysine, carboxylic acids, such as citric acid, formic acid, pimelic acid or lactic acid, or substances such as dithiothreitol, are added to the nutrient medium.

Antibiotics can, where appropriate, be added to the medium in order to stabilize the biotin gene-containing vectors in the cells.

The ratios in which the said nutrients are mixed depends on the nature of the fermentation and is laid down in each individual case. The medium components can all be initially introduced at the beginning of fermentation, after they have been, if necessary, sterilized separately or sterilized together, or else be added subsequently, as required, during fermentation.

The culture conditions are so arranged that the organisms grow optimally and that the best possible yields are achieved. Preferred culture temperatures are from 15 °C to 40 °C. Temperatures of between 25 °C and 37 °C are particularly advantageous. The pH is preferably kept in a range of from 3 to 9. pH values of between 5 and 8 are particularly advantageous. In general, a period of incubation of from 8 to 240 hours, preferably of from 8 to 120 hours, is sufficient. Within this time, the maximum quantity of biotin accumulates in the medium and/or is available after the cells have been disrupted.

The process according to the invention for producing biotin can be carried out continuously or batch-wise or fed-batch-wise. If whole plants are regenerated from the plant cells which have been transformed with the biotin genes, they can, according to the process according to the invention, be grown and propagated perfectly normally.

Examples:

1. Cloning of the S-adenosylmethionine synthase gene (SEQ ID No.1):

Starting from genomic E. coli DNA, the gene which encodes SAM synthase (metK) was amplified from the E. coli chromosome by means of a polymerase chain reaction using two specific oligonucleotides. The DNA which had been amplified in this way was purified, digested with the restriction enzyme Acc65I and inserted into a vector which had been cut with the same enzyme and which enables the gene to be overexpressed in E. coli strains. One of the two oligonucleotides was used to provide the gene construct with optimized translation signals.

a.) Generation of oligonucleotides for amplifying the metK gene from the E. coli chromosome:

metK was to be amplified as an expression cassette which was composed of a ribosome binding site, the start codon of the coding sequence and the stop codon between two restriction enzyme recognition sites. The Acc65I recognition sequence was chosen for both the restriction sites. The metK gene was amplified and cloned using the nucleotides PmetK1 (5'-GCGGTACCAGGTGATATTAAATATGGCAAAAC-3') and PmetK2 (5'-CGGGTACCGATTACTTCAGACCGGCAGC-3').

b.) Implementation of the PCR:

Conditions:

0.5 µg chromosomal DNA from E. coli W3110 was used as a template. The oligonucleotides PmetK1 and PmetK2 were employed at a concentration of in each case 15 pMol. The concentration of the dNTPs was 200 µM. 2.5 U of Pwo DNA polymerase (Boehringer Mannheim) in the manufacturer's reaction buffer were employed as the polymerase. The PCR reaction volume was 100 µl.

Amplifications:

The DNA was denatured at 94 °C for 2 min. The oligonucleotides were then annealed at 55 °C for 30 seconds. The elongation took place at 72 °C for 75 seconds. The PCR reaction was carried out over 30 cycles.

The resulting DNA product, which had a size of approximately 1145 bp, was purified and digested with Acc65I in a suitable buffer.

c.) Cloning of metK in an expression vector

2 µg of the vector pHS1 (construction was described in DE 197.31274.8, priority 22.7.97, Example 1, pages 14 to 17) were digested with Acc65I and dephosphorylated using shrimp alkaline phosphatase (SAP) (Boehringer Mannheim). After the SAP had been denatured, vector and fragment were ligated, in a molar ratio of 1:3, using the Rapid DNA Ligation kit in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. The ligation mixture was transformed into strain E. coli XL-1-blue. Positive clones were identified by plasmid preparation and restriction analysis. The correct orientation of the metK fragment in pHS1 was determined by restriction digestion and sequencing. The resulting construct was designated pHS1 metK (Figure 1). The sequence of pHS1 metK is given in SEQ ID No.9. SEQ ID No.10 shows the amino acid sequence which is deduced from the metK-encoding region.

2. Construction of plasmids pHBbio14 and pHS1 bioS1

The construction of plasmids pHBbio14 and pHS1 bioS1 has already been described (DE 197.31274.8, Priority 22.7.97, Examples 1, 2 and 5).

3. Construction of pHS1 metK bioS1

The plasmids pHS1 bioS1 [SEQ ID No.11, (DE 197.31274.8, Priority 22.7.97), SEQ ID No.12 shows the amino acid sequence which is deduced from the bioS1-encoding region] and pHS1 metK (SEQ ID No.9) were purified using a plasmid preparation method (Boehringer). The fragment carrying the metK gene was isolated from pHS1 metK by digesting with Acc65I. pHS1 bioS1 was digested with Acc65I and dephosphorylated with shrimp alkaline phosphatase (SAP) (Boehringer Mannheim). After the SAP had been denatured in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions, the vector and the metK fragment were ligated, in a molar ratio of 1:3, using the Rapid DNA Ligation Kit in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. The ligation mixture was transformed into strain E. coli XL-1-blue. Positive clones were identified by plasmid preparation and restriction analysis. The correct orientation of the metK fragment in pHS1 bioS1 was determined by means of restriction digestion and sequencing. The resulting construct was designated pHS1 metK bioS1 (Figure 2). The sequence of pHS1 metK bioS1 is given in SEQ ID No.13. SEQ ID No.14 shows the amino acid sequence which was deduced from the metK-encoding region; SEQ ID

No.15 shows the amino acid sequence which was deduced from the bioS1-encoding region.

4. Increasing biotin productivity by overexpressing metK, bioS1 and metK in combination with bioS1.

Spontaneously rifampicin-resistant colonies were isolated from strain BM4086 (Ketner and Campbell J. Molec. Biology 1975 96:13) by plating on rifampicin plates. A P1 lysate was generated from one of these resistant strains. The strain W3110 was transduced with this P1 lysate and clones were subsequently selected using rifampicin. The resulting strain was transformed with plasmid pHBbio14 using the $CaCl_2$ method (Maniatis et al. Molecular Cloning Cols Spring Harbour Laboratory Press 1989) and grown on LB containing 100 µg of ampicillin/ml. The isolated, transformed strain (LU5560) was in each case transformed with plasmid pHS1, pHS1 metK, pHS1 bioS1 or pHS1 metK bioS1 using the $CaCl_2$ method and then selected on LB agar containing 100 µg of ampicillin/ml and 25 µg of kanamycin/ml.

One colony from each of the transformants was in each case inoculated into a DYT culture containing the appropriate antibiotics and incubated for 12 h. The overnight culture (= ONC) was used to inoculate a 10 ml culture in TB medium (Sambrook, J. Fritsch, E F. Maniatis, T. 2nd ed. Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory Press., 1989 ISBN 0-87969-373-8), which contained 30 g of glycerol/l and the appropriate antibiotics. In the cases where plasmids pHS1, pHS1 metK, pHS1bioS1 and pHS1 metK bioS1 were present, 1mM IPTG and 0.5% arabinose were added simultaneously in order to induce expression of the metK and bioS1 genes or, respectively, the combination of the two genes. After 24 h, the cells were separated off from the culture supernatant by centrifugation and the biotin concentration in the supernatant was determined by means of a competitive ELISA employing streptavidin. The results of this determination are shown in Table I.

Table I: Determination of the biotin concentration

Strain	Plasmid I	Plasmid II	Biotin mg/l
LU5580	pHBbio14	Control, without plasmid	11
LU5580	pHBbio14	pHS1	25
LU5580	pHBbio14	pHS1 bioS1	45
LU5580	pHBbio14	pHS1 metK	37
LU5580	pHBbio14	pHS1 metK bioS1	52

We claim:

1. A process for producing biotin wherein an S-adenosylmethionine synthase gene, having the sequence SEQ ID No. 1, and at least one further biotin biosynthesis gene bioS1, bioS2 or bioS3, having the sequences SEQ ID No. 3, SEQ ID No. 5 or SEQ ID No. 7, and also their functional variants, analogues or derivatives, are expressed in a prokaryotic or eukaryotic host organism which is able to synthesize biotin, this organism is cultured and the synthesized biotin is used directly after separating off the biomass or after purifying the biotin.

2. A process as claimed in claim 1, wherein the variants of the genes having the sequences SEQ ID No.1, SEQ ID No. 3, SEQ ID No. 5 and SEQ ID No. 7 are genes which, on the amino acid level deduced from the sequences as claimed in claim 1, exhibit a homology of from 30 to 100% and enable an increased synthesis of biotin to be achieved.

3. A process as claimed in claim 1 or 2, wherein an organism selected from the group of the genera Escherichia, Citrobacter, Serratia, Klebsiella, Salmonella, Pseudomonas, Comamonas, Acinetobacter, Azotobacter, Chromobacterium, Bacillus, Clostridium, Arthrobacter, Corynebacterium, Brevibacterium, Lactococcus, Lactobacillus, Streptomyces, Rhizobium, Agrobacterium, Staphylococcus, Rhodotorula, Sporobolomyces, Yarrowia, Schizosaccharomyces or Saccharomyces is used as the host organism.

4. A process as claimed in any of claims 1 to 3, wherein a regulation-defective biotin mutant is used as the host organism.

5. A process as claimed in any of claims 1 to 4, wherein at least one copy of the genes having the sequences SEQ ID No.1, SEQ ID No. 3, SEQ ID No. 5 and SEQ ID No. 7 as claimed in claim 1 is expressed in a prokaryotic or eukaryotic host organism either alone or together with one or more copies of at least one further biotin gene selected from the group bioA, bioB, bioF, bioC, bioD, bioH, bioP, bioW, bioX, bioY or bioR.

6. A process as claimed in any of claims 1 to 5, wherein at least one copy of the genes having the sequences SEQ ID No.1, SEQ ID No. 3, SEQ ID No. 5 and SEQ ID No. 7 as claimed in claim 1 is expressed in a prokaryotic or eukaryotic host organism either alone or, on a shared vector or on separate vectors, together with one or more copies at least one further biotin gene selected from the group bioA, bioB, bioF, bioC, bioD, bioH, bioP, bioW, bioX, bioY or bioR.

7. A gene construct which comprises an S-adenosylmethionine synthase gene, having the sequence SEQ ID No. 1, and at least one further biotin biosynthesis gene bioS1, bioS2 or bioS3, having the sequences SEQ ID No. 3, SEQ ID No. 5 and SEQ ID No. 7, and also their functional variants, analogues or derivatives, and which is functionally linked to one or more regulatory signals for the purpose of increasing gene expression and/or protein expression and/or whose natural regulation has been switched off.

8. A gene construct as claimed in claim 7, which has been inserted into a vector which is suitable for expressing the gene in a prokaryotic or eukaryotic host organism.

9. A gene construct as claimed in claim 7 or 8, wherein the genes having the sequences SEQ ID No. 1, SEQ ID No. 3, SEQ ID No. 5 and SEQ ID No. 7, and also their functional variants, analogues or derivatives, are present in several copies in the gene construct.

10. A gene construct as claimed in any of claims 7 to 9, wherein the S-adenosylmethionine synthase gene, SEQ ID No. 1, and at least one further biotin biosynthesis gene bioS1, bioS2 or bioS3, having the sequences SEQ ID No. 3, SEQ ID No. 5 and SEQ ID No. 7, and also their functional variants, analogues or derivatives, as claimed in claim 7, are present in the gene construct or vector together with one or more copies of at least one further gene selected from the group bioA, bioB, bioF, bioC, bioD, bioH, bioP, bioW, bioX, bioY or bioR.

11. An organism which comprises a gene construct as claimed in any of claims 7 to 10.

12. The use of the sequences as claimed in claim 1 for producing biotin.

13. The use of the bioS3 gene, having the sequence SEQ ID No. 7, or of its functional variants, analogues or derivatives, either alone or in combination with at least one further gene selected from the group S-adenosylmethionine synthase gene, bioS1, bioS2, bioA, bioB, bioF, bioC, bioD, bioH, bioP, bioW, bioX, bioY or bioR, for producing biotin.

14. The use of a gene construct as claimed in any of claims 7 to 10 for producing biotin.

Process for preparing biotin

Abstract of the disclosure

The invention relates to a gene construct which contains an S-adenosylmethionine synthase gene, having the sequence SEQ ID No. 1, and a biotin biosynthesis gene bioS1, bioS2 and/or bioS3, having the sequences SEQ ID No.3, SEQ ID No.5 and SEQ ID No.7, respectively, and, where appropriate, at least one further biotin synthesis gene sequence selected from the group bioA, bioB, bioF, bioC, bioD, bioH, bioP, bioW, bioX, bioY or bioR. The invention furthermore relates to organisms which contain this gene construct and to the use of the gene construct for preparing biotin, and also to a process for preparing biotin.

FIG.1

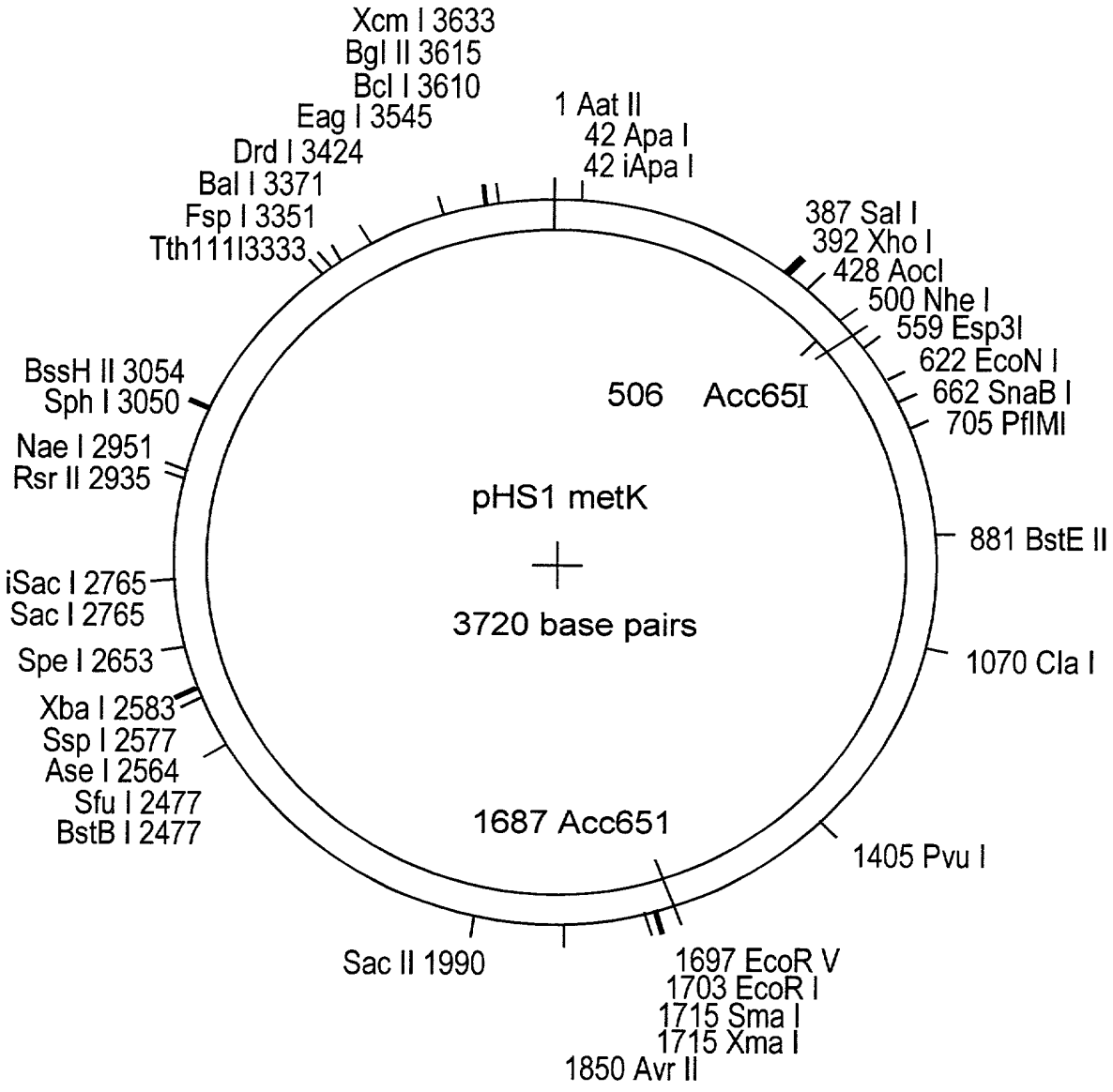
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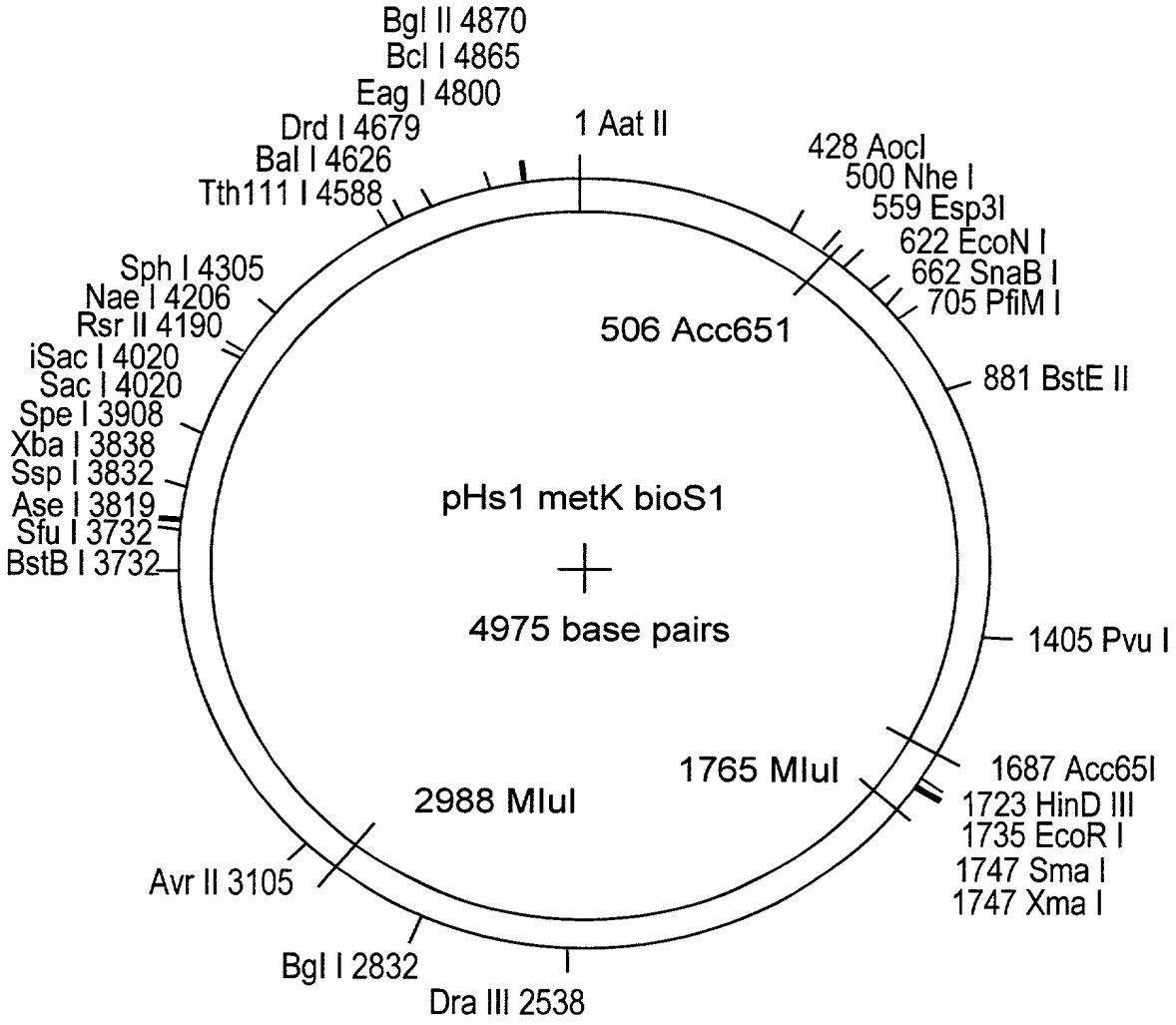
FIG.2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Leu Arg Pro Asp Ala Lys Ser Gln Val Thr Phe Gln Tyr Asp Asp Gly
                165                 170                 175

Lys Ile Val Gly Ile Asp Ala Val Val Leu Ser Thr Gln His Ser Glu
            180                 185                 190
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Glu Ile Asp Gln Lys Ser Leu Gln Glu Ala Val Met Glu Glu Ile Ile
        195                 200                 205

Lys Pro Ile Leu Pro Ala Glu Trp Leu Thr Ser Ala Thr Lys Phe Phe
    210                 215                 220

Ile Asn Pro Thr Gly Arg Phe Val Ile Gly Gly Pro Met Gly Asp Cys
225                 230                 235                 240

Gly Leu Thr Gly Arg Lys Ile Ile Val Asp Thr Tyr Gly Gly Met Ala
                245                 250                 255

Arg His Gly Gly Gly Ala Phe Ser Gly Lys Asp Pro Ser Lys Val Asp
            260                 265                 270

Arg Ser Ala Ala Tyr Ala Ala Arg Tyr Val Ala Lys Asn Ile Val Ala
        275                 280                 285

Ala Gly Leu Ala Asp Arg Cys Glu Ile Gln Val Ser Tyr Ala Ile Gly
    290                 295                 300

Val Ala Glu Pro Thr Ser Ile Met Val Glu Thr Phe Gly Thr Glu Lys
305                 310                 315                 320

Val Pro Ser Glu Gln Leu Thr Leu Leu Val Arg Glu Phe Phe Asp Leu
                325                 330                 335

Arg Pro Tyr Gly Leu Ile Gln Met Leu Asp Leu Leu His Pro Ile Tyr
            340                 345                 350

Lys Glu Thr Ala Ala Tyr Gly His Phe Gly Arg Glu His Phe Pro Trp
        355                 360                 365

Glu Lys Thr Asp Lys Ala Gln Leu Leu Arg Asp Ala Ala Gly Leu Lys
    370                 375                 380
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID No: 3:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
- (A) LENGTH: 1206 Base pairs
- (B) TYPE: Nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: Single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iii) ANTISENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:
(B) STRAIN: Escherichia coli

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:
(B) CLONE: bioS1

(ix) FEATURES:
(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION: 1..1206

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID No: 3:

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ATG AAC GTT TTT AAT CCC GCG CAG TTT CGC GCC CAG TTT CCC GCA CTA        48
Met Asn Val Phe Asn Pro Ala Gln Phe Arg Ala Gln Phe Pro Ala Leu
  1               5                  10                  15

CAG GAT GCG GGC GTC TAT CTC GAC AGC GCC GCG ACC GCG CTT AAA CCT        96
Gln Asp Ala Gly Val Tyr Leu Asp Ser Ala Ala Thr Ala Leu Lys Pro
             20                  25                  30

GAA GCC GTG GTT GAA GCC ACC CAA CAG TTT TAC AGT CTG AGC GCC GGA       144
Glu Ala Val Val Glu Ala Thr Gln Gln Phe Tyr Ser Leu Ser Ala Gly
         35                  40                  45

AAC GTC CAT CGC AGC CAG TTT GCC GAA GCC CAA CGC CTG ACC GCG CGT       192
Asn Val His Arg Ser Gln Phe Ala Glu Ala Gln Arg Leu Thr Ala Arg
     50                  55                  60

TAT GAA GCT GCA CGA GAG AAA GTG GCG CAA TTA CTG AAT GCA CCG GAT       240
Tyr Glu Ala Ala Arg Glu Lys Val Ala Gln Leu Leu Asn Ala Pro Asp
 65                  70                  75                  80

GAT AAA ACT ATC GTC TGG ACG CGC GGC ACC ACT GAA TCC ATC AAC ATG       288
Asp Lys Thr Ile Val Trp Thr Arg Gly Thr Thr Glu Ser Ile Asn Met
                 85                  90                  95

GTG GCA CAA TGC TAT GCG CGT CCG CGT CTG CAA CCG GGC GAT GAG ATT       336
Val Ala Gln Cys Tyr Ala Arg Pro Arg Leu Gln Pro Gly Asp Glu Ile
            100                 105                 110

ATT GTC AGC GTG GCA GAA CAC CAC GCC AAC CTC GTC CCC TGG CTG ATG       384
Ile Val Ser Val Ala Glu His His Ala Asn Leu Val Pro Trp Leu Met
        115                 120                 125

GTC GCC CAA CAA ACT GGA GCC AAA GTG GTG AAA TTG CCG CTT AAT GCG       432
Val Ala Gln Gln Thr Gly Ala Lys Val Val Lys Leu Pro Leu Asn Ala
    130                 135                 140
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CAG CGA CTG CCG GAT GTC GAT TTG TTG CCA GAA CTG ATT ACT CCC CGT        480
Gln Arg Leu Pro Asp Val Asp Leu Leu Pro Glu Leu Ile Thr Pro Arg
145                 150                 155                 160

AGT CGG ATT CTG GCG TTG GGT CAG ATG TCG AAC GTT ACT GGC GGT TGC        528
Ser Arg Ile Leu Ala Leu Gly Gln Met Ser Asn Val Thr Gly Gly Cys
                165                 170                 175

CCG GAT CTG GCG CGA GCG ATT ACC TTT GCT CAT TCA GCC GGG ATG GTG        576
Pro Asp Leu Ala Arg Ala Ile Thr Phe Ala His Ser Ala Gly Met Val
            180                 185                 190

GTG ATG GTT GAT GGT GCT CAG GGG GCA GTG CAT TTC CCC GCG GAT GTT        624
Val Met Val Asp Gly Ala Gln Gly Ala Val His Phe Pro Ala Asp Val
        195                 200                 205

CAG CAA CTG GAT ATT GAT TTC TAT GCT TTT TCA GGT CAC AAA CTG TAT        672
Gln Gln Leu Asp Ile Asp Phe Tyr Ala Phe Ser Gly His Lys Leu Tyr
    210                 215                 220

GGC CCG ACA GGT ATC GGC GTG CTG TAT GGT AAA TCA GAA CTG CTG GAG        720
Gly Pro Thr Gly Ile Gly Val Leu Tyr Gly Lys Ser Glu Leu Leu Glu
225                 230                 235                 240

GCG ATG TCG CCC TGG CTG GGC GGC GGC AAA ATG GTT CAC GAA GTG AGT        768
Ala Met Ser Pro Trp Leu Gly Gly Gly Lys Met Val His Glu Val Ser
                245                 250                 255

TTT GAC GGC TTC ACG ACT CAA TCT GCG CCG TGG AAA CTG GAA GCT GGA        816
Phe Asp Gly Phe Thr Thr Gln Ser Ala Pro Trp Lys Leu Glu Ala Gly
            260                 265                 270

ACG CCA AAT GTC GCT GGT GTC ATA GGA TTA AGC GCG GCG CTG GAA TGG        864
Thr Pro Asn Val Ala Gly Val Ile Gly Leu Ser Ala Ala Leu Glu Trp
        275                 280                 285

CTG GCA GAT TAC GAT ATC AAC CAG GCC GAA AGC TGG AGC CGT AGC TTA        912
Leu Ala Asp Tyr Asp Ile Asn Gln Ala Glu Ser Trp Ser Arg Ser Leu
    290                 295                 300

GCA ACG CTG GCG GAA GAT GCG CTG GCG AAA CGT CCC GGC TTT CGT TCA        960
Ala Thr Leu Ala Glu Asp Ala Leu Ala Lys Arg Pro Gly Phe Arg Ser
305                 310                 315                 320

TTC CGC TGC CAG GAT TCC AGC CTG CTG GCC TTT GAT TTT GCT GGC GTT       1008
Phe Arg Cys Gln Asp Ser Ser Leu Leu Ala Phe Asp Phe Ala Gly Val
                325                 330                 335
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CAT CAT AGC GAT ATG GTG ACG CTG CTG GCG GAG TAC GGT ATT GCC CTG      1056
His His Ser Asp Met Val Thr Leu Leu Ala Glu Tyr Gly Ile Ala Leu
            340                 345                 350

CGG GCC GGG CAG CAT TGC GCT CAG CCG CTA CTG GCA GAA TTA GGC GTA      1104
Arg Ala Gly Gln His Cys Ala Gln Pro Leu Leu Ala Glu Leu Gly Val
        355                 360                 365

ACC GGC ACA CTG CGC GCC TCT TTT GCG CCA TAT AAT ACA AAG AGT GAT      1152
Thr Gly Thr Leu Arg Ala Ser Phe Ala Pro Tyr Asn Thr Lys Ser Asp
    370                 375                 380

GTG GAT GCG CTG GTG AAT GCC GTT GAC CGC GCG CTG GAA TTA TTG GTG      1200
Val Asp Ala Leu Val Asn Ala Val Asp Arg Ala Leu Glu Leu Leu Val
385                 390                 395                 400

GAT TAA                                                             1206
Asp
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID No: 4:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 401 Amino acids
(B) TYPE: Amino acid
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: Protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID No: 4:

```
Met Asn Val Phe Asn Pro Ala Gln Phe Arg Ala Gln Phe Pro Ala Leu
  1               5                  10                  15

Gln Asp Ala Gly Val Tyr Leu Asp Ser Ala Ala Thr Ala Leu Lys Pro
            20                  25                  30

Glu Ala Val Val Glu Ala Thr Gln Gln Phe Tyr Ser Leu Ser Ala Gly
        35                  40                  45

Asn Val His Arg Ser Gln Phe Ala Glu Ala Gln Arg Leu Thr Ala Arg
    50                  55                  60

Tyr Glu Ala Ala Arg Glu Lys Val Ala Gln Leu Leu Asn Ala Pro Asp
65                  70                  75                  80

Asp Lys Thr Ile Val Trp Thr Arg Gly Thr Thr Glu Ser Ile Asn Met
                85                  90                  95
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Val Ala Gln Cys Tyr Ala Arg Pro Arg Leu Gln Pro Gly Asp Glu Ile
            100                 105                 110

Ile Val Ser Val Ala Glu His His Ala Asn Leu Val Pro Trp Leu Met
        115                 120                 125

Val Ala Gln Gln Thr Gly Ala Lys Val Val Lys Leu Pro Leu Asn Ala
    130                 135                 140

Gln Arg Leu Pro Asp Val Asp Leu Leu Pro Glu Leu Ile Thr Pro Arg
145                 150                 155                 160

Ser Arg Ile Leu Ala Leu Gly Gln Met Ser Asn Val Thr Gly Gly Cys
                165                 170                 175

Pro Asp Leu Ala Arg Ala Ile Thr Phe Ala His Ser Ala Gly Met Val
            180                 185                 190

Val Met Val Asp Gly Ala Gln Gly Ala Val His Phe Pro Ala Asp Val
        195                 200                 205

Gln Gln Leu Asp Ile Asp Phe Tyr Ala Phe Ser Gly His Lys Leu Tyr
    210                 215                 220

Gly Pro Thr Gly Ile Gly Val Leu Tyr Gly Lys Ser Glu Leu Leu Glu
225                 230                 235                 240

Ala Met Ser Pro Trp Leu Gly Gly Gly Lys Met Val His Glu Val Ser
                245                 250                 255

Phe Asp Gly Phe Thr Thr Gln Ser Ala Pro Trp Lys Leu Glu Ala Gly
            260                 265                 270

Thr Pro Asn Val Ala Gly Val Ile Gly Leu Ser Ala Ala Leu Glu Trp
        275                 280                 285

Leu Ala Asp Tyr Asp Ile Asn Gln Ala Glu Ser Trp Ser Arg Ser Leu
    290                 295                 300

Ala Thr Leu Ala Glu Asp Ala Leu Ala Lys Arg Pro Gly Phe Arg Ser
305                 310                 315                 320

Phe Arg Cys Gln Asp Ser Ser Leu Leu Ala Phe Asp Phe Ala Gly Val
                325                 330                 335

His His Ser Asp Met Val Thr Leu Leu Ala Glu Tyr Gly Ile Ala Leu
            340                 345                 350

Arg Ala Gly Gln His Cys Ala Gln Pro Leu Leu Ala Glu Leu Gly Val
        355                 360                 365
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Thr Gly Thr Leu Arg Ala Ser Phe Ala Pro Tyr Asn Thr Lys Ser Asp
    370                 375                 380

Val Asp Ala Leu Val Asn Ala Val Asp Arg Ala Leu Glu Leu Leu Val
385                 390                 395                 400

Asp
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID No: 5:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 1215 Base pairs
(B) TYPE: Nucleic acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: Single
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iii) ANTISENSE: NO

(vi) ORGINAL SOURCE:
(B) STRAIN: Escherichia coli

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:
(B) CLONE: bioS2

(ix) FEATURES:
(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION: 1..1215

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID No: 5:

```
ATG AAA TTA CCG ATT TAT CTC GAC TAC TCC GCA ACC ACG CCG GTG GAC        48
Met Lys Leu Pro Ile Tyr Leu Asp Tyr Ser Ala Thr Thr Pro Val Asp
 1               5                  10                  15

CCG CGT GTT GCC GAG AAA ATG ATG CAG TTT ATG ACG ATG GAC GGA ACC        96
Pro Arg Val Ala Glu Lys Met Met Gln Phe Met Thr Met Asp Gly Thr
            20                  25                  30

TTT GGT AAC CCG GCC TCC CGT TCT CAC CGT TTC GGC TGG CAG GCT GAA       144
Phe Gly Asn Pro Ala Ser Arg Ser His Arg Phe Gly Trp Gln Ala Glu
        35                  40                  45

GAA GCG GTA GAT ATC GCC CGT AAT CAG ATT GCC GAT CTG GTC GGC GCT       192
Glu Ala Val Asp Ile Ala Arg Asn Gln Ile Ala Asp Leu Val Gly Ala
    50                  55                  60
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GAT CCG CGT GAA ATC GTC TTT ACC TCT GGT GCA ACC GAA TCT GAC AAC        240
Asp Pro Arg Glu Ile Val Phe Thr Ser Gly Ala Thr Glu Ser Asp Asn
 65                  70                  75                  80

CTG GCG ATC AAA GGT GCA GCC AAC TTT TAT CAG AAA AAA GGC AAG CAC        288
Leu Ala Ile Lys Gly Ala Ala Asn Phe Tyr Gln Lys Lys Gly Lys His
                 85                  90                  95

ATC ATC ACC AGC AAA ACC GAA CAC AAA GCG GTA CTG GAT ACC TGC CGT        336
Ile Ile Thr Ser Lys Thr Glu His Lys Ala Val Leu Asp Thr Cys Arg
            100                 105                 110

CAG CTG GAG CGC GAA GGT TTT GAA GTC ACC TAC CTG GCA CCG CAG CGT        384
Gln Leu Glu Arg Glu Gly Phe Glu Val Thr Tyr Leu Ala Pro Gln Arg
        115                 120                 125

AAC GGC ATT ATC GAC CTG AAA GAA CTT GAA GCA GCG ATG CGT GAC GAC        432
Asn Gly Ile Ile Asp Leu Lys Glu Leu Glu Ala Ala Met Arg Asp Asp
    130                 135                 140

ACC ATC CTC GTG TCC ATC ATG CAC GTA AAT AAC GAA ATC GGC GTG GTG        480
Thr Ile Leu Val Ser Ile Met His Val Asn Asn Glu Ile Gly Val Val
145                 150                 155                 160

CAG GAT ATC GCG GCT ATC GGC GAA ATG TGC CGT GCT CGT GGC ATT ATC        528
Gln Asp Ile Ala Ala Ile Gly Glu Met Cys Arg Ala Arg Gly Ile Ile
                165                 170                 175

TAT CAC GTT GAT GCA ACC CAG AGC GTG GGT AAA CTG CCT ATC GAC CTG        576
Tyr His Val Asp Ala Thr Gln Ser Val Gly Lys Leu Pro Ile Asp Leu
            180                 185                 190

AGC CAG TTG AAA GTT GAC CTG ATG TCT TTC TCC GGT CAC AAA ATC TAT        624
Ser Gln Leu Lys Val Asp Leu Met Ser Phe Ser Gly His Lys Ile Tyr
        195                 200                 205

GGC CCG AAA GGT ATC GGT GCG CTG TAT GTA CGT CGT AAA CCG CGC GTA        672
Gly Pro Lys Gly Ile Gly Ala Leu Tyr Val Arg Arg Lys Pro Arg Val
    210                 215                 220

CGC ATC GAA GCG CAA ATG CAC GGC GGC GGT CAC GAG CGC GGT ATG CGT        720
Arg Ile Glu Ala Gln Met His Gly Gly Gly His Glu Arg Gly Met Arg
225                 230                 235                 240

TCC GGC ACT CTG CCT GTT CAC CAG ATC GTC GGA ATG GGC GAG GCC TAT        768
Ser Gly Thr Leu Pro Val His Gln Ile Val Gly Met Gly Glu Ala Tyr
                245                 250                 255
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CGC ATC GCA AAA GAA GAG ATG GCG ACC GAG ATG GAA CGT CTG CGC GGC        816
Arg Ile Ala Lys Glu Glu Met Ala Thr Glu Met Glu Arg Leu Arg Gly
            260                 265                 270

CTG CGT AAC CGT CTG TGG AAC GGC ATC AAA GAT ATC GAA GAA GTT TAC        864
Leu Arg Asn Arg Leu Trp Asn Gly Ile Lys Asp Ile Glu Glu Val Tyr
        275                 280                 285

CTG AAC GGT GAC CTG GAA CAC GGT GCG CCG AAC ATT CTC AAC GTC AGC        912
Leu Asn Gly Asp Leu Glu His Gly Ala Pro Asn Ile Leu Asn Val Ser
    290                 295                 300

TTC AAC TAC GTT GAA GGT GAG TCG CTG ATT ATG GCG CTG AAA GAC CTC        960
Phe Asn Tyr Val Glu Gly Glu Ser Leu Ile Met Ala Leu Lys Asp Leu
305                 310                 315                 320

GCA GTT TCT TCA GGT TCC GCC TGT ACG TCA GCA AGC CTC GAA CCG TCC       1008
Ala Val Ser Ser Gly Ser Ala Cys Thr Ser Ala Ser Leu Glu Pro Ser
                325                 330                 335

TAC GTG CTG CGC GCG CTG GGG CTG AAC GAC GAG CTG GCA CAT AGC TCT       1056
Tyr Val Leu Arg Ala Leu Gly Leu Asn Asp Glu Leu Ala His Ser Ser
            340                 345                 350

ATC CGT TTC TCT TTA GGT CGT TTT ACT ACT GAA GAA GAG ATC GAC TAC       1104
Ile Arg Phe Ser Leu Gly Arg Phe Thr Thr Glu Glu Glu Ile Asp Tyr
        355                 360                 365

ACC ATC GAG TTA GTT CGT AAA TCC ATC GGT CGT CTG CGT GAC CTT TCT       1152
Thr Ile Glu Leu Val Arg Lys Ser Ile Gly Arg Leu Arg Asp Leu Ser
    370                 375                 380

CCG CTG TGG GAA ATG TAC AAG CAG GGC GTG GAT CTG AAC AGC ATC GAA       1200
Pro Leu Trp Glu Met Tyr Lys Gln Gly Val Asp Leu Asn Ser Ile Glu
385                 390                 395                 400

TGG GCT CAT CAT TAA                                                   1215
Trp Ala His His
                405
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID No: 6:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 404 Amino acids
(B) TYPE: Amino acid
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: Protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID No: 6:

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Met Lys Leu Pro Ile Tyr Leu Asp Tyr Ser Ala Thr Thr Pro Val Asp
 1               5                  10                  15

Pro Arg Val Ala Glu Lys Met Met Gln Phe Met Thr Met Asp Gly Thr
            20                  25                  30

Phe Gly Asn Pro Ala Ser Arg Ser His Arg Phe Gly Trp Gln Ala Glu
        35                  40                  45

Glu Ala Val Asp Ile Ala Arg Asn Gln Ile Ala Asp Leu Val Gly Ala
    50                  55                  60

Asp Pro Arg Glu Ile Val Phe Thr Ser Gly Ala Thr Glu Ser Asp Asn
65                  70                  75                  80

Leu Ala Ile Lys Gly Ala Ala Asn Phe Tyr Gln Lys Lys Gly Lys His
                85                  90                  95

Ile Ile Thr Ser Lys Thr Glu His Lys Ala Val Leu Asp Thr Cys Arg
            100                 105                 110

Gln Leu Glu Arg Glu Gly Phe Glu Val Thr Tyr Leu Ala Pro Gln Arg
        115                 120                 125

Asn Gly Ile Ile Asp Leu Lys Glu Leu Glu Ala Ala Met Arg Asp Asp
    130                 135                 140

Thr Ile Leu Val Ser Ile Met His Val Asn Asn Glu Ile Gly Val Val
145                 150                 155                 160

Gln Asp Ile Ala Ala Ile Gly Glu Met Cys Arg Ala Arg Gly Ile Ile
                165                 170                 175

Tyr His Val Asp Ala Thr Gln Ser Val Gly Lys Leu Pro Ile Asp Leu
            180                 185                 190

Ser Gln Leu Lys Val Asp Leu Met Ser Phe Ser Gly His Lys Ile Tyr
        195                 200                 205

Gly Pro Lys Gly Ile Gly Ala Leu Tyr Val Arg Arg Lys Pro Arg Val
    210                 215                 220

Arg Ile Glu Ala Gln Met His Gly Gly Gly His Glu Arg Gly Met Arg
225                 230                 235                 240

Ser Gly Thr Leu Pro Val His Gln Ile Val Gly Met Gly Glu Ala Tyr
                245                 250                 255
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Arg Ile Ala Lys Glu Glu Met Ala Thr Glu Met Glu Arg Leu Arg Gly
            260                 265                 270

Leu Arg Asn Arg Leu Trp Asn Gly Ile Lys Asp Ile Glu Glu Val Tyr
        275                 280                 285

Leu Asn Gly Asp Leu Glu His Gly Ala Pro Asn Ile Leu Asn Val Ser
    290                 295                 300

Phe Asn Tyr Val Glu Gly Glu Ser Leu Ile Met Ala Leu Lys Asp Leu
305                 310                 315                 320

Ala Val Ser Ser Gly Ser Ala Cys Thr Ser Ala Ser Leu Glu Pro Ser
                325                 330                 335

Tyr Val Leu Arg Ala Leu Gly Leu Asn Asp Glu Leu Ala His Ser Ser
            340                 345                 350

Ile Arg Phe Ser Leu Gly Arg Phe Thr Thr Glu Glu Glu Ile Asp Tyr
        355                 360                 365

Thr Ile Glu Leu Val Arg Lys Ser Ile Gly Arg Leu Arg Asp Leu Ser
    370                 375                 380

Pro Leu Trp Glu Met Tyr Lys Gln Gly Val Asp Leu Asn Ser Ile Glu
385                 390                 395                 400

Trp Ala His His
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID No: 7:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
- (A) LENGTH: 1221 Base pairs
- (B) TYPE: Nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: Single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNS (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iii) ANTISENSE: NO

(vi) ORIGINAL SOURCE:
- (B) STRAIN: Escherichia coli

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:
- (B) CLONE: bioS3

(ix) FEATURES:
(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION: 1..1221

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID No: 7:

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ATG ATT TTT TCC GTC GAC AAA GTG CGG GCC GAC TTT CCG GTG CTT TCG        48
Met Ile Phe Ser Val Asp Lys Val Arg Ala Asp Phe Pro Val Leu Ser
  1               5                  10                  15

CGT GAG GTA AAC GGT TTG CCG CTG GCT TAT CTC GAC AGC GCC GCC AGT        96
Arg Glu Val Asn Gly Leu Pro Leu Ala Tyr Leu Asp Ser Ala Ala Ser
            20                  25                  30

GCG CAG AAA CCG AGC CAG GTG ATT GAC GCC GAG GCC GAG TTT TAT CGT       144
Ala Gln Lys Pro Ser Gln Val Ile Asp Ala Glu Ala Glu Phe Tyr Arg
        35                  40                  45

CAT GGC TAC GCG GCG GTG CAT CGT GGT ATT CAT ACC TTA AGC GCC CAG       192
His Gly Tyr Ala Ala Val His Arg Gly Ile His Thr Leu Ser Ala Gln
    50                  55                  60

GCG ACC GAG AAA ATG GAG AAC GTG CGC AAG CGG GCA TCG CTG TTT ATT       240
Ala Thr Glu Lys Met Glu Asn Val Arg Lys Arg Ala Ser Leu Phe Ile
65                  70                  75                  80

AAT GCC CGT TCG GCG GAA GAG CTG GTG TTC GTC CGC GGC ACG ACG GAA       288
Asn Ala Arg Ser Ala Glu Glu Leu Val Phe Val Arg Gly Thr Thr Glu
                85                  90                  95

GGG ATC AAT CTG GTC GCC AAT AGC TGG GGC AAC AGC AAC GTG CGG GCG       336
Gly Ile Asn Leu Val Ala Asn Ser Trp Gly Asn Ser Asn Val Arg Ala
            100                 105                 110

GGC GAT AAC ATC ATC ATC AGT CAG ATG GAG CAC CAC GCT AAC ATT GTT       384
Gly Asp Asn Ile Ile Ile Ser Gln Met Glu His His Ala Asn Ile Val
        115                 120                 125

CCC TGG CAG ATG CTT TGC GCA CGC GTT GGC GCA GAG CTG CGT GTG ATC       432
Pro Trp Gln Met Leu Cys Ala Arg Val Gly Ala Glu Leu Arg Val Ile
    130                 135                 140

CCG CTC AAT CCC GAT GGT ACG TTG CAA CTG GAG ACG CTG CCT ACG CTG       480
Pro Leu Asn Pro Asp Gly Thr Leu Gln Leu Glu Thr Leu Pro Thr Leu
145                 150                 155                 160

TTT GAT GAG AAA ACT CGC CTG CTG GCA ATT ACT CAT GTC TCC AAC GTG       528
Phe Asp Glu Lys Thr Arg Leu Leu Ala Ile Thr His Val Ser Asn Val
                165                 170                 175
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CTT GGC ACA GAA AAT CCA CTG GCG GAA ATG ATC ACG CTT GCG CAC CAG        576
Leu Gly Thr Glu Asn Pro Leu Ala Glu Met Ile Thr Leu Ala His Gln
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CAT GGC GCA AAA GTG CTG GTG GAT GGC GCT CAG GCG GTG ATG CAT CAT        624
His Gly Ala Lys Val Leu Val Asp Gly Ala Gln Ala Val Met His His
        195                 200                 205

CCG GTG GAT GTT CAG GCG CTG GAT TGC GAC TTT TAC GTG TTC TCC GGG        672
Pro Val Asp Val Gln Ala Leu Asp Cys Asp Phe Tyr Val Phe Ser Gly
    210                 215                 220

CAT AAA CTG TAT GGC CCC ACC GGA ATT GGC ATT CTT TAT GTG AAA GAA        720
His Lys Leu Tyr Gly Pro Thr Gly Ile Gly Ile Leu Tyr Val Lys Glu
225                 230                 235                 240

GCC TTG TTG CAG GAG ATG CCG CCG TGG GAA GGG GGC GGT TCT ATG ATC        768
Ala Leu Leu Gln Glu Met Pro Pro Trp Glu Gly Gly Gly Ser Met Ile
                245                 250                 255

GCC ACC GTC AGC CTG AGT GAA GGC ACT ACC TGG ACC AAA GCA CCA TGG        816
Ala Thr Val Ser Leu Ser Glu Gly Thr Thr Trp Thr Lys Ala Pro Trp
            260                 265                 270

CGG TTT GAA GCC GGT ACA CCC AAT ACC GGG GGC ATC ATT GGT CTT GGC        864
Arg Phe Glu Ala Gly Thr Pro Asn Thr Gly Gly Ile Ile Gly Leu Gly
        275                 280                 285

GCG GCG CTG GAG TAT GTT TCG GCG CTG GGG CTT AAT AAC ATA GCC GAG        912
Ala Ala Leu Glu Tyr Val Ser Ala Leu Gly Leu Asn Asn Ile Ala Glu
    290                 295                 300

TAT GAA CAG AAT CTG ATG CAT TAT GCG CTA TCA CAG CTG GAA TCT GTA        960
Tyr Glu Gln Asn Leu Met His Tyr Ala Leu Ser Gln Leu Glu Ser Val
305                 310                 315                 320

CCG GAT CTC ACT CTC TAT GGC CCA CAA AAC AGG CTT GGC GTT ATT GCT       1008
Pro Asp Leu Thr Leu Tyr Gly Pro Gln Asn Arg Leu Gly Val Ile Ala
                325                 330                 335

TTT AAT CTC GGT AAA CAC CAC GCC TAT GAT GTT GGC AGT TTT CTC GAT       1056
Phe Asn Leu Gly Lys His His Ala Tyr Asp Val Gly Ser Phe Leu Asp
            340                 345                 350

AAT TAC GGC ATT GCT GTG CGT ACC GGA CAT CAC TGC GCA ATG CCA TTG       1104
Asn Tyr Gly Ile Ala Val Arg Thr Gly His His Cys Ala Met Pro Leu
        355                 360                 365
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ATG GCC TAT TAC AAC GTC CCT GCG ATG TGT CGG GCG TCG CTG GCC ATG      1152
Met Ala Tyr Tyr Asn Val Pro Ala Met Cys Arg Ala Ser Leu Ala Met
    370                 375                 380

TAT AAC ACC CAT GAA GAA GTG GAT CGT CTG GTG ACC GGC CTG CAA CGT      1200
Tyr Asn Thr His Glu Glu Val Asp Arg Leu Val Thr Gly Leu Gln Arg
385                 390                 395                 400

ATT CAC CGT TTG CTG GGA TAA                                          1221
Ile His Arg Leu Leu Gly
                405
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID No: 8:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 406 Amino acids
(B) TYPE: Amino acid
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULAR TYPE: Protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID No: 8:

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Met Ile Phe Ser Val Asp Lys Val Arg Ala Asp Phe Pro Val Leu Ser
 1               5                  10                  15

Arg Glu Val Asn Gly Leu Pro Leu Ala Tyr Leu Asp Ser Ala Ala Ser
            20                  25                  30

Ala Gln Lys Pro Ser Gln Val Ile Asp Ala Glu Ala Glu Phe Tyr Arg
        35                  40                  45

His Gly Tyr Ala Ala Val His Arg Gly Ile His Thr Leu Ser Ala Gln
    50                  55                  60

Ala Thr Glu Lys Met Glu Asn Val Arg Lys Arg Ala Ser Leu Phe Ile
65                  70                  75                  80

Asn Ala Arg Ser Ala Glu Glu Leu Val Phe Val Arg Gly Thr Thr Glu
                85                  90                  95

Gly Ile Asn Leu Val Ala Asn Ser Trp Gly Asn Ser Asn Val Arg Ala
            100                 105                 110

Gly Asp Asn Ile Ile Ile Ser Gln Met Glu His His Ala Asn Ile Val
        115                 120                 125

Pro Trp Gln Met Leu Cys Ala Arg Val Gly Ala Glu Leu Arg Val Ile
    130                 135                 140
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Pro Leu Asn Pro Asp Gly Thr Leu Gln Leu Glu Thr Leu Pro Thr Leu
145                 150                 155                 160

Phe Asp Glu Lys Thr Arg Leu Leu Ala Ile Thr His Val Ser Asn Val
                165                 170                 175

Leu Gly Thr Glu Asn Pro Leu Ala Glu Met Ile Thr Leu Ala His Gln
            180                 185                 190

His Gly Ala Lys Val Leu Val Asp Gly Ala Gln Ala Val Met His His
        195                 200                 205

Pro Val Asp Val Gln Ala Leu Asp Cys Asp Phe Tyr Val Phe Ser Gly
    210                 215                 220

His Lys Leu Tyr Gly Pro Thr Gly Ile Gly Ile Leu Tyr Val Lys Glu
225                 230                 235                 240

Ala Leu Leu Gln Glu Met Pro Pro Trp Glu Gly Gly Gly Ser Met Ile
                245                 250                 255

Ala Thr Val Ser Leu Ser Glu Gly Thr Thr Trp Thr Lys Ala Pro Trp
            260                 265                 270

Arg Phe Glu Ala Gly Thr Pro Asn Thr Gly Gly Ile Ile Gly Leu Gly
        275                 280                 285

Ala Ala Leu Glu Tyr Val Ser Ala Leu Gly Leu Asn Asn Ile Ala Glu
    290                 295                 300

Tyr Glu Gln Asn Leu Met His Tyr Ala Leu Ser Gln Leu Glu Ser Val
305                 310                 315                 320

Pro Asp Leu Thr Leu Tyr Gly Pro Gln Asn Arg Leu Gly Val Ile Ala
                325                 330                 335

Phe Asn Leu Gly Lys His His Ala Tyr Asp Val Gly Ser Phe Leu Asp
            340                 345                 350

Asn Tyr Gly Ile Ala Val Arg Thr Gly His His Cys Ala Met Pro Leu
        355                 360                 365

Met Ala Tyr Tyr Asn Val Pro Ala Met Cys Arg Ala Ser Leu Ala Met
    370                 375                 380

Tyr Asn Thr His Glu Glu Val Asp Arg Leu Val Thr Gly Leu Gln Arg
385                 390                 395                 400

Ile His Arg Leu Leu Gly
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID No: 9:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 3720 Base pairs
(B) TYPE: Nucleic acid
(C) STRANDEDNESS: Single
(D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iii) ANTISENSE: NO

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:
(B) CLONE: pHS1 metK

(ix) FEATURES:
(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION: 530..1684

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID No: 9:

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Lys His Leu Phe Thr Ser Glu Ser Val Ser Glu Gly His Pro Asp Lys
          5                  10                  15

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Ile Ala Asp Gln Ile Ser Asp Ala Val Leu Asp Ala Ile Leu Glu Gln
     20                  25                  30
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Asp Pro Lys Ala Arg Val Ala Cys Glu Thr Tyr Val Lys Thr Gly Met
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Val Leu Val Gly Gly Glu Ile Thr Thr Ser Ala Trp Val Asp Ile Glu
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Glu Ile Thr Arg Asn Thr Val Arg Glu Ile Gly Tyr Val His Ser Asp
             70                  75                  80

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Met Gly Phe Asp Ala Asn Ser Cys Ala Val Leu Ser Ala Ile Gly Lys
         85                  90                  95

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Gln Ser Pro Asp Ile Asn Gln Gly Val Asp Arg Ala Asp Pro Leu Glu
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Gln Gly Ala Gly Asp Gln Gly Leu Met Phe Gly Tyr Ala Thr Asn Glu
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Thr Asp Val Leu Met Pro Ala Pro Ile Thr Tyr Ala His Arg Leu Val
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Pro Asp Ala Lys Ser Gln Val Thr Phe Gln Tyr Asp Asp Gly Lys Ile
        165                 170                 175

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Val Gly Ile Asp Ala Val Val Leu Ser Thr Gln His Ser Glu Glu Ile
    180                 185                 190

GAC CAG AAA TCG CTG CAA GAA GCG GTA ATG GAA GAG ATC ATC AAG CCA       1159
Asp Gln Lys Ser Leu Gln Glu Ala Val Met Glu Glu Ile Ile Lys Pro
195                 200                 205                 210

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Ile Leu Pro Ala Glu Trp Leu Thr Ser Ala Thr Lys Phe Phe Ile Asn
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ACT GGT CGT AAA ATT ATC GTT GAT ACC TAC GGC GGC ATG GCG CGT CAC      1303
Thr Gly Arg Lys Ile Ile Val Asp Thr Tyr Gly Gly Met Ala Arg His
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Gly Gly Gly Ala Phe Ser Gly Lys Asp Pro Ser Lys Val Asp Arg Ser
    260                 265                 270

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Ala Ala Tyr Ala Ala Arg Tyr Val Ala Lys Asn Ile Val Ala Ala Gly
275                 280                 285                 290

CTG GCC GAT CGT TGT GAA ATT CAG GTT TCC TAC GCA ATC GGC GTG GCT      1447
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                295                 300                 305

GAA CCG ACC TCC ATC ATG GTA GAA ACT TTC GGT ACT GAG AAA GTG CCT      1495
Glu Pro Thr Ser Ile Met Val Glu Thr Phe Gly Thr Glu Lys Val Pro
            310                 315                 320

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Ser Glu Gln Leu Thr Leu Leu Val Arg Glu Phe Phe Asp Leu Arg Pro
        325                 330                 335

TAC GGT CTG ATT CAG ATG CTG GAT CTG CTG CAC CCG ATC TAC AAA GAA      1591
Tyr Gly Leu Ile Gln Met Leu Asp Leu Leu His Pro Ile Tyr Lys Glu
    340                 345                 350

ACC GCA GCA TAC GGT CAC TTT GGT CGT GAA CAT TTC CCG TGG GAA AAA      1639
Thr Ala Ala Tyr Gly His Phe Gly Arg Glu His Phe Pro Trp Glu Lys
355                 360                 365                 370

ACC GAC AAA GCG CAG CTG CTG CGC GAT GCT GCC GGT CTG AAG TAATCGGTAC   1691
Thr Asp Lys Ala Gln Leu Leu Arg Asp Ala Ala Gly Leu Lys
                375                 380                 385

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TCAAATCAGT GGTGGCGAAA CCCGACAGGA CTATAAAGAT ACCAGGCGTT TCCCCCTGGC 2111

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID No: 10:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 384 Amino acids
(B) TYPE: Amino acid
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: Protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID No: 10:

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 1               5                  10                  15

Asp Lys Ile Ala Asp Gln Ile Ser Asp Ala Val Leu Asp Ala Ile Leu
            20                  25                  30

Glu Gln Asp Pro Lys Ala Arg Val Ala Cys Glu Thr Tyr Val Lys Thr
        35                  40                  45

Gly Met Val Leu Val Gly Gly Glu Ile Thr Thr Ser Ala Trp Val Asp
    50                  55                  60

Ile Glu Glu Ile Thr Arg Asn Thr Val Arg Glu Ile Gly Tyr Val His
65                  70                  75                  80

Ser Asp Met Gly Phe Asp Ala Asn Ser Cys Ala Val Leu Ser Ala Ile
                85                  90                  95

Gly Lys Gln Ser Pro Asp Ile Asn Gln Gly Val Asp Arg Ala Asp Pro
            100                 105                 110

Leu Glu Gln Gly Ala Gly Asp Gln Gly Leu Met Phe Gly Tyr Ala Thr
        115                 120                 125

Asn Glu Thr Asp Val Leu Met Pro Ala Pro Ile Thr Tyr Ala His Arg
    130                 135                 140

Leu Val Gln Arg Gln Ala Glu Val Arg Lys Asn Gly Thr Leu Pro Trp
145                 150                 155                 160
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Leu Arg Pro Asp Ala Lys Ser Gln Val Thr Phe Gln Tyr Asp Asp Gly
                165                 170                 175

Lys Ile Val Gly Ile Asp Ala Val Val Leu Ser Thr Gln His Ser Glu
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Glu Ile Asp Gln Lys Ser Leu Gln Glu Ala Val Met Glu Glu Ile Ile
        195                 200                 205

Lys Pro Ile Leu Pro Ala Glu Trp Leu Thr Ser Ala Thr Lys Phe Phe
    210                 215                 220

Ile Asn Pro Thr Gly Arg Phe Val Ile Gly Gly Pro Met Gly Asp Cys
225                 230                 235                 240

Gly Leu Thr Gly Arg Lys Ile Ile Val Asp Thr Tyr Gly Gly Met Ala
                245                 250                 255

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            260                 265                 270

Arg Ser Ala Ala Tyr Ala Ala Arg Tyr Val Ala Lys Asn Ile Val Ala
        275                 280                 285

Ala Gly Leu Ala Asp Arg Cys Glu Ile Gln Val Ser Tyr Ala Ile Gly
    290                 295                 300

Val Ala Glu Pro Thr Ser Ile Met Val Glu Thr Phe Gly Thr Glu Lys
305                 310                 315                 320

Val Pro Ser Glu Gln Leu Thr Leu Leu Val Arg Glu Phe Phe Asp Leu
                325                 330                 335

Arg Pro Tyr Gly Leu Ile Gln Met Leu Asp Leu Leu His Pro Ile Tyr
            340                 345                 350

Lys Glu Thr Ala Ala Tyr Gly His Phe Gly Arg Glu His Phe Pro Trp
        355                 360                 365

Glu Lys Thr Asp Lys Ala Gln Leu Leu Arg Asp Ala Ala Gly Leu Lys
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID No: 11:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
- (A) LENGTH: 3794 Base pairs
- (B) TYPE: Nucleic acid
- (C) STRANDEDNESS: Single
- (D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iii) ANTISENSE: NO

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:
(B) CLONE: pHS1 bioS1

(ix) FEATURES:
(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION: 601..1806

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID No: 11:

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  1               5                  10                  15

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Gln Asp Ala Gly Val Tyr Leu Asp Ser Ala Ala Thr Ala Leu Lys Pro
             20                  25                  30

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Glu Ala Val Val Glu Ala Thr Gln Gln Phe Tyr Ser Leu Ser Ala Gly
         35                  40                  45

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Asp Lys Thr Ile Val Trp Thr Arg Gly Thr Thr Glu Ser Ile Asn Met
                 85                  90                  95

GTG GCA CAA TGC TAT GCG CGT CCG CGT CTG CAA CCG GGC GAT GAG ATT        936
Val Ala Gln Cys Tyr Ala Arg Pro Arg Leu Gln Pro Gly Asp Glu Ile
            100                 105                 110

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Ile Val Ser Val Ala Glu His His Ala Asn Leu Val Pro Trp Leu Met
        115                 120                 125

GTC GCC CAA CAA ACT GGA GCC AAA GTG GTG AAA TTG CCG CTT AAT GCG       1032
Val Ala Gln Gln Thr Gly Ala Lys Val Val Lys Leu Pro Leu Asn Ala
    130                 135                 140

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Gln Arg Leu Pro Asp Val Asp Leu Leu Pro Glu Leu Ile Thr Pro Arg
145                 150                 155                 160

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Ser Arg Ile Leu Ala Leu Gly Gln Met Ser Asn Val Thr Gly Gly Cys
                165                 170                 175

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            180                 185                 190

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        195                 200                 205

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Gln Gln Leu Asp Ile Asp Phe Tyr Ala Phe Ser Gly His Lys Leu Tyr
    210                 215                 220

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Gly Pro Thr Gly Ile Gly Val Leu Tyr Gly Lys Ser Glu Leu Leu Glu
225                 230                 235                 240

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ACG CCA AAT GTC GCT GGT GTC ATA GGA TTA AGC GCG GCG CTG GAA TGG      1464
Thr Pro Asn Val Ala Gly Val Ile Gly Leu Ser Ala Ala Leu Glu Trp
        275                 280                 285

CTG GCA GAT TAC GAT ATC AAC CAG GCC GAA AGC TGG AGC CGT AGC TTA      1512
Leu Ala Asp Tyr Asp Ile Asn Gln Ala Glu Ser Trp Ser Arg Ser Leu
    290                 295                 300

GCA ACG CTG GCG GAA GAT GCG CTG GCG AAA CGT CCC GGC TTT CGT TCA      1560
Ala Thr Leu Ala Glu Asp Ala Leu Ala Lys Arg Pro Gly Phe Arg Ser
305                 310                 315                 320

TTC CGC TGC CAG GAT TCC AGC CTG CTG GCC TTT GAT TTT GCT GGC GTT      1608
Phe Arg Cys Gln Asp Ser Ser Leu Leu Ala Phe Asp Phe Ala Gly Val
                325                 330                 335

CAT CAT AGC GAT ATG GTG ACG CTG CTG GCG GAG TAC GGT ATT GCC CTG      1656
His His Ser Asp Met Val Thr Leu Leu Ala Glu Tyr Gly Ile Ala Leu
            340                 345                 350

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Arg Ala Gly Gln His Cys Ala Gln Pro Leu Leu Ala Glu Leu Gly Val
        355                 360                 365

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Thr Gly Thr Leu Arg Ala Ser Phe Ala Pro Tyr Asn Thr Lys Ser Asp
    370                 375                 380

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385                 390                 395                 400

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CCGCCCTAGA CCTAGGGGAT ATATTCCGCT TCCTCGCTCA CTGACTCGCT ACGCTCGGTC   1973

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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID No: 12:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 401 Amino acids
(B) TYPE: Amino acid
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: Protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID No: 12:

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35 40 45

Asn Val His Arg Ser Gln Phe Ala Glu Ala Gln Arg Leu Thr Ala Arg
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Tyr Glu Ala Ala Arg Glu Lys Val Ala Gln Leu Leu Asn Ala Pro Asp
65 70 75 80

Asp Lys Thr Ile Val Trp Thr Arg Gly Thr Thr Glu Ser Ile Asn Met
85 90 95

Val Ala Gln Cys Tyr Ala Arg Pro Arg Leu Gln Pro Gly Asp Glu Ile
100 105 110

Ile Val Ser Val Ala Glu His His Ala Asn Leu Val Pro Trp Leu Met
115 120 125

Val Ala Gln Gln Thr Gly Ala Lys Val Val Lys Leu Pro Leu Asn Ala
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145 150 155 160

Ser Arg Ile Leu Ala Leu Gly Gln Met Ser Asn Val Thr Gly Gly Cys
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                245                 250                 255

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    290                 295                 300

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His His Ser Asp Met Val Thr Leu Leu Ala Glu Tyr Gly Ile Ala Leu
            340                 345                 350

Arg Ala Gly Gln His Cys Ala Gln Pro Leu Leu Ala Glu Leu Gly Val
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID No: 13:

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(B) TYPE: Nucleic acid

(C) STRANDEDNESS: Single
(D) TOPOLOGY: circular

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: DNA (genomic)

(iii) HYPOTHETICAL: NO

(iii) ANTISENSE: NO

(vii) IMMEDIATE SOURCE:
(B) CLONE: pHS1 metK bioS1

(ix) FEATURES:
(A) NAME/KEY: CDS
(B) LOCATION: 1782..2987

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(B) LOCATION: 530..1684

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID No: 13:

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Lys His Leu Phe Thr Ser Glu Ser Val Ser Glu Gly His Pro Asp Lys
          5                  10                  15

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Ile Ala Asp Gln Ile Ser Asp Ala Val Leu Asp Ala Ile Leu Glu Gln
     20                  25                  30
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Val Leu Val Gly Gly Glu Ile Thr Thr Ser Ala Trp Val Asp Ile Glu
                 55                  60                  65

GAG ATC ACC CGT AAC ACC GTT CGC GAA ATT GGC TAT GTG CAT TCC GAC      775
Glu Ile Thr Arg Asn Thr Val Arg Glu Ile Gly Tyr Val His Ser Asp
             70                  75                  80

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Met Gly Phe Asp Ala Asn Ser Cys Ala Val Leu Ser Ala Ile Gly Lys
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Gln Ser Pro Asp Ile Asn Gln Gly Val Asp Arg Ala Asp Pro Leu Glu
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Thr Asp Val Leu Met Pro Ala Pro Ile Thr Tyr Ala His Arg Leu Val
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CAG CGT CAG GCT GAA GTG CGT AAA AAC GGC ACT CTG CCG TGG CTG CGC     1015
Gln Arg Gln Ala Glu Val Arg Lys Asn Gly Thr Leu Pro Trp Leu Arg
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Pro Asp Ala Lys Ser Gln Val Thr Phe Gln Tyr Asp Asp Gly Lys Ile
        165                 170                 175

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    180                 185                 190

GAC CAG AAA TCG CTG CAA GAA GCG GTA ATG GAA GAG ATC ATC AAG CCA     1159
Asp Gln Lys Ser Leu Gln Glu Ala Val Met Glu Glu Ile Ile Lys Pro
195                 200                 205                 210

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ACT GGT CGT AAA ATT ATC GTT GAT ACC TAC GGC GGC ATG GCG CGT CAC      1303
Thr Gly Arg Lys Ile Ile Val Asp Thr Tyr Gly Gly Met Ala Arg His
        245                 250                 255

GGT GGC GGT GCA TTC TCT GGT AAA GAT CCA TCA AAA GTG GAC CGT TCC      1351
Gly Gly Gly Ala Phe Ser Gly Lys Asp Pro Ser Lys Val Asp Arg Ser
    260                 265                 270

GCA GCC TAC GCA GCA CGT TAT GTC GCG AAA AAC ATC GTT GCT GCT GGC      1399
Ala Ala Tyr Ala Ala Arg Tyr Val Ala Lys Asn Ile Val Ala Ala Gly
275                 280                 285                 290

CTG GCC GAT CGT TGT GAA ATT CAG GTT TCC TAC GCA ATC GGC GTG GCT      1447
Leu Ala Asp Arg Cys Glu Ile Gln Val Ser Tyr Ala Ile Gly Val Ala
                295                 300                 305

GAA CCG ACC TCC ATC ATG GTA GAA ACT TTC GGT ACT GAG AAA GTG CCT      1495
Glu Pro Thr Ser Ile Met Val Glu Thr Phe Gly Thr Glu Lys Val Pro
            310                 315                 320

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Ser Glu Gln Leu Thr Leu Leu Val Arg Glu Phe Phe Asp Leu Arg Pro
        325                 330                 335

TAC GGT CTG ATT CAG ATG CTG GAT CTG CTG CAC CCG ATC TAC AAA GAA      1591
Tyr Gly Leu Ile Gln Met Leu Asp Leu Leu His Pro Ile Tyr Lys Glu
    340                 345                 350

ACC GCA GCA TAC GGT CAC TTT GGT CGT GAA CAT TTC CCG TGG GAA AAA      1639
Thr Ala Ala Tyr Gly His Phe Gly Arg Glu His Phe Pro Trp Glu Lys
355                 360                 365                 370

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Thr Asp Lys Ala Gln Leu Leu Arg Asp Ala Ala Gly Leu Lys
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                                Met Asn Val Phe Asn Pro Ala Gln
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TTT CGC GCC CAG TTT CCC GCA CTA CAG GAT GCG GGC GTC TAT CTC GAC      1853
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Gln Phe Tyr Ser Leu Ser Ala Gly Asn Val His Arg Ser Gln Phe Ala
                 45                  50                  55

GAA GCC CAA CGC CTG ACC GCG CGT TAT GAA GCT GCA CGA GAG AAA GTG      1997
Glu Ala Gln Arg Leu Thr Ala Arg Tyr Glu Ala Ala Arg Glu Lys Val
             60                  65                  70

GCG CAA TTA CTG AAT GCA CCG GAT GAT AAA ACT ATC GTC TGG ACG CGC      2045
Ala Gln Leu Leu Asn Ala Pro Asp Asp Lys Thr Ile Val Trp Thr Arg
         75                  80                  85

GGC ACC ACT GAA TCC ATC AAC ATG GTG GCA CAA TGC TAT GCG CGT CCG      2093
Gly Thr Thr Glu Ser Ile Asn Met Val Ala Gln Cys Tyr Ala Arg Pro
     90                  95                  100

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Arg Leu Gln Pro Gly Asp Glu Ile Ile Val Ser Val Ala Glu His His
105                 110                 115                 120

GCC AAC CTC GTC CCC TGG CTG ATG GTC GCC CAA CAA ACT GGA GCC AAA      2189
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Met Ser Asn Val Thr Gly Gly Cys Pro Asp Leu Ala Arg Ala Ile Thr
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Phe Ala His Ser Ala Gly Met Val Val Met Val Asp Gly Ala Gln Gly
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Tyr Gly Lys Ser Glu Leu Leu Glu Ala Met Ser Pro Trp Leu Gly Gly
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(B) TYPE: Amino acid
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: Protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID No: 14:

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Lys Pro Ile Leu Pro Ala Glu Trp Leu Thr Ser Ala Thr Lys Phe Phe
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(2) INFORMATION FOR SEQ ID No: 15:

(i) SEQUENCE CHARACTERISTICS:
(A) LENGTH: 401 Amino acids
(B) TYPE: Amino acid
(D) TOPOLOGY: linear

(ii) MOLECULE TYPE: Protein

(xi) SEQUENCE DESCRIPTION: SEQ ID No: 15:

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Asn Val His Arg Ser Gln Phe Ala Glu Ala Gln Arg Leu Thr Ala Arg
    50                  55                  60

Tyr Glu Ala Ala Arg Glu Lys Val Ala Gln Leu Leu Asn Ala Pro Asp
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Asp Lys Thr Ile Val Trp Thr Arg Gly Thr Thr Glu Ser Ile Asn Met
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            100                 105                 110

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Ser Arg Ile Leu Ala Leu Gly Gln Met Ser Asn Val Thr Gly Gly Cys
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Pro Asp Leu Ala Arg Ala Ile Thr Phe Ala His Ser Ala Gly Met Val
            180                 185                 190

Val Met Val Asp Gly Ala Gln Gly Ala Val His Phe Pro Ala Asp Val
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Gln Gln Leu Asp Ile Asp Phe Tyr Ala Phe Ser Gly His Lys Leu Tyr
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Gly Pro Thr Gly Ile Gly Val Leu Tyr Gly Lys Ser Glu Leu Leu Glu
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Ala Met Ser Pro Trp Leu Gly Gly Gly Lys Met Val His Glu Val Ser
                245                 250                 255

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            260                 265                 270

Thr Pro Asn Val Ala Gly Val Ile Gly Leu Ser Ala Ala Leu Glu Trp
        275                 280                 285

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His His Ser Asp Met Val Thr Leu Leu Ala Glu Tyr Gly Ile Ala Leu
            340                 345                 350

Arg Ala Gly Gln His Cys Ala Gln Pro Leu Leu Ala Glu Leu Gly Val
        355                 360                 365

Thr Gly Thr Leu Arg Ala Ser Phe Ala Pro Tyr Asn Thr Lys Ser Asp
    370                 375                 380

Val Asp Ala Leu Val Asn Ala Val Asp Arg Ala Leu Glu Leu Leu Val
385                 390                 395                 400

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Declaration, Power of Attorney

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We (I), the undersigned inventor(s), hereby declare(s) that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name,

We (I) believe that we are (I am) the original, first, and joint (sole) inventor(s) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

Process for preparing biotin

the specification of which

[ ] is attached hereto.

[ ] was filed on _____ as

Application Serial No. _____

and amended on _____.

[x] was filed as PCT international application

Number PCT/EP 99/01052

on 17/02/1999

and was amended under PCT Article 19

on _____ (if applicable).

We (I) hereby state that we (I) have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

We (I) acknowledge the duty to disclose information known to be material to the patentability of this application as defined in Section 1.56 of Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations.

We (I) hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or § 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed. Prior Foreign Application(s)

Application No.	**Country**	**Day/Month/Year**	**Priority Claimed**	
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We (I) hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application.

Application Serial No.	**Filing Date**	**Status (pending, patented, abandoned)**

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